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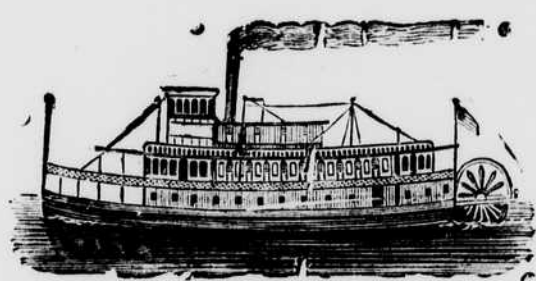
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## WITHOUT MONEY OR GRUB

Returning Klondikers Report Many People Penniless

But Little Effort Being Made to Relieve the Situation. Jack Wade Creek Showing Up Well.

From the Skaguay News:

Wednesday night's train brought in a number of Klondikers and about \$25,000 in dust. Miss Cud Wilson, a variety actress, was among the number who returned with heavily laden sacks. Most of those returning had been six days on the road from Dawson. Many of them seemed a "reluctant" of \$50 for fare from Dawson to Bennett.

From conversation with many of those returning, it is evident that in spite of the fact that thousands of all but destitute Dawsonites had gone down the river, there would still remain about 5000 men who were out of employment and have little or nothing in the way of provisions or money. Nothing as yet has been done to get these men out of the country. The C. D. Company allows about ten men to work their way up on every one of their steamers leaving Dawson. As half that many would be sufficient to do all the work, it shows a disposition on the part of the C. D. Company to relieve the situation as much as possible.

Jack Wade Creek is showing up very well. These new diggings are on the American side near Forty mile. S. L. Dennis, one of the Klondikers to come out after fifteen months in the interior, has property on Jack Wade, which he thinks gives promise of turning out well. To a News representative he showed a small sack containing about 50 ounces of gold from that new district. It is worn smooth and contains no quartz. There is no gold like it on the Yukon, and it assays \$19.25.

### A Route For Tourists.

The most enjoyable trip that can be undertaken and one that has about it just enough of the element of danger to make it interesting is to boat down the Yukon from Bennett to Dawson. With a good boat and four or five men in the party there can be no trip undertaken that will afford quite so much interest and excitement.

Any one who is at all interested in the study of the country will find this mode of travelling superior to the steamers. There are the Thirty mile river, White Horse, Five Fingers and Rink Rapids to be run, and out of these the party will get all the excitement they want. With a good boat and cool heads to guide it, there is no danger. The party can tie up to the banks every night if they want to, and have all the opportunity of exploring the country by day. The study of the topography of the land along the Yukon is one full of interest. There are stretches of terraced banks, especially along Five Finger rapids, that look as if they had been made by the skillful hands of a giant gardener, so evenly and uniformly do they appear. In and about the Five Finger rapids the geologist will find material and facts in nature that will give him matter for an interesting book. It is all sandstone formation, and the action of the water has cut the rock into fantastic forms that please the mind of the voyager.

The old river is continually wearing and grinding away, changing its course and embedding the old with sand and rocks. There

## A SEIZURE

Diamonds Valued At \$30,000 Seized By Customs Officials.

The Alaska miner of Juneau gives the following account of a diamond seizure:

Captain S. Bonnitfield of the steamer Humboldt brought down from Skaguay some interesting news regarding the arrest at that place of four of the most noted smugglers who have ever operated on the American continent. One named Hess is a German and the other three, Gillman, Halland and McClelland are English.

Their mode of operating was most cleverly devised and would undoubtedly have been a success were it not that the authorities for some weeks past were on the watch, being notified of their operations in the sound by Collector Huestis of Port Townsend.

Cameras and snap-shot kodaks are such necessary things in the outfit of the average Alaskan tourist that no one here, not even the lynx-eyed customs officials, would suspect them of use for other than a snap at some Chief Johnson, Taku brave or the old church. However, sometimes "things are not what they seem." So thought the Skaguay officials when the German-English quartette with their four up-to-date kodaks landed from the steamer Tees.

Their appearance tallied so well with the description sent out by the officials at Port Townsend that they were immediately arrested on a warrant charging them with smuggling jewelry, diamonds and other goods into the United States.

Their detection and arrest was due to the watchfulness of Capt. W. F. Thomas formerly inspector at Juneau.

Upon examination it was found that each of the supposed cameras were "blinds", leather bound boxes, containing altogether about \$30,000 worth of jewelry, mostly unset diamonds.

Judge Schilbrede placed them under \$3,000 bonds each. The judge later allowed them to stay at a hotel on their agreeing to pay a special watchman to take care of them.

The crime is punishable by a fine of from \$1,000 to \$5,000 and imprisonment not to exceed two years.

It was the intion of the smugglers to sell the diamonds to returning Klondikers from whom they expected to reap a rich harvest. They doubtless now think "honesty is the best policy".

is an imperceptible but mighty change going on all the time. By and by the Five Fingers which jut out of the river's bed and give the rapids their name to day, will be cut away. The old river has in the dim and distant past had other channels than the one it now uses. Some day it will have for itself yet another, for it is ever carving and cutting away with relentless force in the soft sandstone.

## A CALL TO THE CITIZENS

Of The District Of Alaska

At a meeting of citizens held on Monday evening, September 11, for the purpose of choosing delegates to the Alaska Convention, it was decided to call a mass meeting of all citizens of Fort Wrangel and vicinity to meet at the Fort Wrangel Hotel on Monday evening September 11th. Then and there to choose three delegates to the convention of citizens of Alaska, to meet at Juneau, Alaska, on the 9th day of October 1899.

In answer to the above call a mass meeting of citizens was held on Monday evening last at which there was a large attendance of representative citizens. J. C. Callbreath was elected chairman and F. N. Whitney was elected secretary. There were many strong speeches against the present system of government and against the mode of administering the laws at present in force in the territory. It was decided to elect three delegates by ballot and the following persons proved to be the choice of the meeting: Capt. T. A. Willson, Col. R. D. Crittenden and P. C. McCormick. They are all representative citizens and in favor of "Home Rule" for Alaska. Our citizens may look forward with certainty to their fulfilling the trust in a manner credible to Fort Wrangel in particular and Alaska in general.

### Two Residents Pass Away.

Lot Tyweene, the head of the Lot family and the last of the Shustach tribe of Indians, died on Saturday last at the old family home in Wrangel. Death came peacefully and as the result of old age. The remains were laid away at rest on Wednesday last in the old family burying ground on Shustach point, south of the town. Deceased was in the neighborhood of 65 years of age.

We regret to announce the sad death of a young native girl who has for some years made her home with the family of Rufus Sylvester in this city. She died on Tuesday evening last at the family residence. The interment took place on Thursday.

### Church Announcement.

A popular service of song will be held Sunday evening, September 17th at the Presbyterian church. Come and sing with us and enjoy the music.

H. P. CORSER,  
Pastor.



## TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

The meat trust makes no bones of charging high prices.

It is understood that Don Carlos has quit sitting up nights to pretend.

We reserve our hero worship for the man who can invent a mucilage pot that won't get gummed up.

Let it no longer be considered a reproach to be seaisick. Admiral Dewey had mal demer during the battle of Manila.

If the horse goes, the coachman must go, too. A family coachman way down East has gone. He took a \$2,000,000 bride with him.

Small bills are said to be scarce. But most persons can testify to the fact that the "monthly bills," big and little, are as numerous as ever.

Writers may come and writers may go, but no one will take the place of the late Horatio Alger in the hearts of the men who used to be boys.

The announcement that the kissing bug is a myth, the creation of an imaginative reporter, is a little hard on the people who have been bitten by the insect.

It probably would not require a very near sighted man to recognize in slim Sarah Bernhardt's Hamlet the time-honored hypothesis of "Hamlet with Hamlet left out."

That is a dangerous admission made by the Boston Herald that the Boston street boy has abbreviated "motor car" to "tomato." Sometimes a name like that sticks ridiculously.

Edison thinks the name "electro-mobile" should be selected for electrical carriages. That has a euphonious sound, and how would gasomobile answer for those run by gasoline power?

A man 106 years of age recently chastised his youthful son aged 70 for misbehavior. There is nothing like putting a son on the right path while he is still under 80. The boy may yet turn out all right.

Simple directions for treatment of lockjaw are making their appearance here and there. It should be borne in mind, however, that prevention is better than cure, and that the toy pistol, a frequent cause, can at least be prohibited.

A magistrate has declared it illegal for a man to make love to a woman without her consent. The legal form will read: "May I ask you if I may ask you?" and it is feared this complicated question will completely befuddle a great many suitors.

An investigation shows that the Astors instead of being descended from a noble line of Spanish courtiers came in a straight line from a German butcher. If the Astors were good sensible people they would be glad this discovery has been made. Better an honest German butcher any day than a hanger-on at a Spanish court.

The admission fees to a recent prize-fight in New York exceeded \$85,000, the largest amount ever received for any single performance. This has been cited as a startling commentary upon the times. Bloody noses and cracked crowns, however, are not the delight of the vast majority of our people, nor are bounce and bluster yet widely accepted as the principal virtues of the world.

The plain truth appears to be that a very large proportion of the population of the United States is indifferent to books, and we have still rather a small strictly student element. It is the fault of very heavy and mixed immigration, of the backwardness of the large rural population in the South, and of the rapid growth of the country, with enforced strict attention to practical affairs of a business kind.

A fruit novelty is reported from California. It is half lemon and half orange, with the shape of the lemon and the color of the orange, the juice having the flavor of both. It is, of course, artificially produced. Heretofore the phantom lemon, which figures in picnic assets, has had the chief distinction as a lemon curiosity. The fruit world, it will be seen, shows a tendency to combination as well as the business world.

Captain William A. Andrews, who undertook to cross the ocean in a dory, did not complete his voyage. He was picked up by a steamer 700 miles from land in such an exhausted condition and so glad to get aboard that he did not even try to save his boat. It is not possible to feel any sympathy for the captain. It was a foolhardy piece of business, which if it had succeeded would have accomplished nothing of value. If he should safely cross the ocean a dozen times it would not con-

vince any one that it was not much easier and safer to go on a steamer. Captain Andrews should be thankful the steamer picked him up and quit the silly business in which he is engaged.

The declaration of the late President Heuraux that the object of life was "to fight man and love woman" brings us back to the age when man had all he could do to hold his own against other beasts. It will strike the gentle reader a little odd to hear such a pre-historic admission after two thousand years of Christianity. But the swarthy President of San Domingo was simply reiterating in a blunt way a principle that has been discussed and even defended by generations of novelists. The fight goes on in the stock exchange to-day as fiercely as it did in the age of totemism, when the struggle for food was man's first and only occupation. As for the latter half of life's object shelves of yellow-backed novels bear testimony that Heuraux stood not alone. Why must the heathen be saved, mutters the pessimist, when respected members of society, who pay their annual pew rent, if they do not actually indorse Heuraux's philosophy, believe in the maxim, "Be virtuous if you can, if you can't be careful." Does the latter show any moral superiority to Heuraux's frank definition of life?

The predominant aspiration in the boy nature is the desire to be a man. As he cannot be a man until he is grown he imitates the man to the best of his boyish ability. Next to his desire to be a man his strongest impulse is to do what the other boys do. The boy is gregarious. He goes in droves usually, following the leadership of the loudest-voiced and most pugnacious of his fellows. These two traits of the boy nature explain the recent strikes among the newsboys and messenger boys in New York, Pittsburg, Syracuse and Philadelphia. The men, when they want their wages raised or shorter hours of labor, strike. It is only natural that the boys should follow the example of their elders. Adult strikers frequently mob other men who are willing to take their places, calling them "scabs" and other opprobrious names. Boys follow their example by beating, or threatening to beat, their fellows who are willing to add to the family income by sticking to their employment. If the workmen win a strike in New York or Boston, others are encouraged to go on a strike. If the newsboys and messenger boys of one city stop work for better pay, the strike epidemic spreads straightway among the boys in all cities. It's an old saying that boys will be boys, and it is equally true that boys want to be and do like other boys. While a boy's strike lasts, however, it is usually a lively one. The spirit of gregariousness in the boy nature insures this. What one boy does all the boys will do or want to do, and when all the messenger or newsboys are on strike and preventing other boys from doing their work, there will be plenty of life, a good deal of mischief and some destruction going forward.

The United States weather bureau has published the results of investigations it has made as to the value of property destroyed and the number of lives lost in this country, by lightning, for a series of nine years. The records are reasonably complete and the showing is as curious as it is interesting. In the last nine years 312 persons have been killed annually by lightning, but of all the years considered that of 1895 was the most disastrous, 426 persons having lost their lives in that manner. Last year the mortality was 367, and in the entire nine years the average number killed was five to each million of population. Fatalities are less frequent in cities and thickly settled localities and most common in agricultural sections of the country. Of the states having most deaths from this cause Ohio takes the lead, the average being 24 for each 100,000 persons engaged in farming. The greatest proportion of fatal strokes is found in the Missouri valley, the great plains and in the region of the Rocky Mountains. Last year 1,866 buildings were destroyed or damaged by lightning, which involved a loss estimated at \$1,446,880. Of other property lost the report mentions 964 cattle, 306 horses, 30 mules, 116 pigs, 426 sheep, the estimated total value of which was \$48,257. This makes the total loss of property \$1,495,137, caused by only 710 lightning strokes. It is stated that so far as the loss of life is concerned, practically all the fatalities take place in the five months from April to September, most of them being in June and July. The report says that much of the damage caused by lightning in the agricultural districts might be avoided by "grounding wires" at proper distances along lines of wire fences, "which are death traps to stock, the fatal shock being inflicted often through the medium of the wires at a considerable distance from the point hit."

### Berlin Coachmen.

Among the coachmen of Berlin are seven retired army officers, three pastors and sixteen nobles.

The proposal in a love story is to a girl what the pie at a dinner is to a boy.

## A STARTLING OBJECT LESSON.

How a Mexican Alcaide Learned Some of the Difficulties of Railroading.

The old Southwestern engineer was telling tales of by-gone days down in Mexico and dwelling upon the Mexican's ignorance of railroading.

"Once, near Victoria," said he, "we were loaded heavily with iron, and we hit the usual drunken Mexican asleep on the track. Them folks used to think a roadbed better'n a wool mattress. It was down grade and around a curve, and we were going at a fair clip, and, though we had air brakes, we couldn't hold up in time. We ground him up, and at Victoria, ten miles further on, we didn't have any better sense than to report it. Of course, the train was sidetracked and we were put in jail. Next day we were hauled up before the alcalde. He was a little, dried up man, with mahogany skin and snow-white mustache. It bristled fiercely, but I noticed that his eye twinkled a good deal and I sorter cottoned to him right away. We told him that we couldn't stop the train in the time allowed us, and it was the truth. He said, through an interpreter, of course:

"I've heard all this before. Five of my people have been killed by trains in six months and I have let the train crews go. They said they couldn't stop. I'm going to see about this. Your train is on the sidetrack, coupled and loaded. We'll fire up and go back to the place where you killed Vicente. We'll run down at the same speed. When you come near to the curve you must try hard to stop. I will go in the cab with you."

"Well, we fired up and went back three miles beyond the death spot. Then we started forward again. Of course it was not my business to run too slowly. I wanted to show the alcalde that stopping in the space described was an impossibility. Old 93 was a quick engine, and inside of two miles, it being a down grade, we were doing a two-minute clip. We struck the curve at forty miles an hour. The alcalde had never in his life been on a train, and he was leaning out of the cab window, waving his big straw hat and shouting 'Viva! Viva! As we sighted the spot where Vicente had been pulverized the airbrakes went on like the clump of death. I was thrown to the floor of the cab myself. As for the alcalde, he shot through the window like a rocket, turned six somersaults and lit on his back in the sand thirty feet away. The train ground to a standstill, yards beyond the blood-stained ties. He came limping up, brushing the sand out of his white hair. I remember that his mustache was all bent down on one side. He looked up at me and said simply, 'Valga me Dios!' which is about equivalent to 'Dern my buttons!' We went back to town; he discharged us all and invited us to dinner with him. We stayed and pulled out that evening. Everybody ran pretty much on his own schedule in them times."

### Whence Gutta Percha Comes.

The tree from which gutta percha is obtained grows in Borneo, and in other islands of the Indian Archipelago, says the Philadelphia Times. It is very large, but the wood is spongy, and of little use as timber. The leaves grow on long stalks, and are green above and of a bright yellow beneath. The flowers are small and grow in pretty tufts in the axils of the leaves, each on a separate stalk or stem.

To obtain the gutta percha of commerce, the finest trees are cut down, and incisions are made in the bark; a milky juice exudes from the incisions, and is reserved by little troughs made for that purpose. When the juice has hardened to a certain extent it is kneaded into cakes and exported. The cakes are of a reddish brown color and are full of irregular pores.

Before, however, the cakes are ready for use they have to undergo some preparation. They are first sliced into very thin shavings and then placed in a "tearing" machine, which revolves in a trough of hot water. The machines tears the shavings into small pieces, and the hot water washes them thoroughly. These pieces are then made into cakes and the cakes are rolled several times between heated cylinders to free them from any air or water that they may contain, and to make them uniform in texture. Again they are rolled between heated rollers and thus made into sheets of various thicknesses for use, or formed into rods, water pipes or any other shapes which may be desired.

### Whale in Shrimp Net.

A small bottle-nosed whale 11 feet long and 6 feet in circumference has been captured off the Essex coast, and is now to be seen on the beach at Southend. It was surprised near the shore by some local fishermen, who managed to take it by tangling it up in an old shrimp net.

Its vitality was so great that it lived for fifty hours after capture. The idea of tackling a ton of lively whale with a shrimp net does not in the least impress its captors, who, says our correspondent, "would go for a sea serpent with a half inch rope."

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James Healey went to New Mexico from Texas. He was born in Sedalia, Mo., in 1838, and with his parents went to Austin, Texas, in 1850. He has always lived on the plains and has no knowledge of any other life. He never

Twenty years ago when he was in El Paso, Texas, with a herd of cattle he met an old companion of his youth on the Texas border. The old friend had turned prospector and had been among the Dragoon mountains in Southern Arizona. Among the mineral properties he had located was a copper claim, the Ranger by name. Healey is seldom touched by the sentimentality of friendship, but this time his friend told such a tale of distress that Healey gave him outright \$800 for two-thirds of the copper claim. At different times Healey was persuaded to put \$200 and \$300 more to hold his share of the property legally intact. In 1892 the mine began to pay, and when Healey got \$7,000 for one-third the mine, he thought his remaining third was worth holding. When copper rose to 12 cents a pound in 1897 Healey got some \$1,600 a month from the Ranger, and since copper has risen to 18 and 19 cents, he has had between \$3,000 and \$3,500 a month profit from it.

His vaqueros say they believe the millionaire must be made of steel. He has been a physiological steam engine for over thirty-five years. He literally knows no rest. He usually sleeps less than five out of the twenty-four hours, and is often in the saddle or in the corral for two days and nights at a time. In these later years, when he has become so rich, he has several vaqueros about him always at night in the lonely mountains, where it would no trick at all for bandits to perpetrate some criminal design upon the wealthy cattleman. Frequently the old man will roll in a blanket alongside the camp fire on the range for the night, and with a supper on crackers and cheese or boiled beans will go to sleep until the earliest streaks of daylight, when he will get up and go to work again.



MILLIONAIRE HEALEY'S SUMMER HOME.

went to school but three years and that was on the plains of Texas. But he was born with rare sagacity, a peculiar border shrewdness that reads men at a glance and knows a schemer instinctively. His chief stock in trade is an iron constitution and a bravado nerve that made him well known on the frontier before he was 20. He became a vaquero in Texas when he was 17 years old. His associates have been Mexican vaqueros, American cowboys, hardened characters on the border and half-breed Indians.

### Start of the Healey Fortune.

When the Navajos were moved by the government to Southern New Mexico in the latter '60s, Jim Healey and other vaqueros went northward with little bands of cattle and settled on tracts of land close to the Arizona territorial line. That was the beginning of the Healey fortune. In a few years he had several hundred head of steers. Then he had several thousand. He spoke the Spanish tongue as well as his own, and no American knew the border and its rude ways so well as Jim Healey did. With further sales of cattle he bought more land. So he has kept on buying land, trading for cattle and water rights, occasionally dabbling in sheep and wool until he has become more than a millionaire.

Up to twenty-five years ago Healey's sole unnecessary expense was gambling. There are still tales in ancient Santa Fe of the times when Jim Healey returning from a cattle drive to Trinidad and Fort Dodge, used to sit in a faro game for forty-eight hours at a stretch and lose or win \$7,000 or \$8,000 at a sitting. One night he saw the faro dealer give a significant wink to a professional player alongside Healey and from that moment he quit the tables. He has had his ups and downs in cattle, the same as all other cattlemen. In the great freeze of 1878 he lost the greater part of a herd that represented some \$125,000. At another time he lost over \$60,000 worth of cattle by reason of a lung plague and the Texas cattle fever.

The fearful depreciation in cattle and ranges, which set in at about 1890 and culminated in 1896, ruined many a cattleman, but Healey not only hung to his herds and sold his cattle at little or no profit for six or seven successive years, but he added to his range by purchase of land from discouraged men who abandoned the industry. For three years he has been selling his steers at topnotch prices, and he is the foremost cattleman in New Mexico.

**Rich in Copper Property.**  
The present marvelous boom in copper has also added to Healey's riches.

He is by no means a miser, for he has several times made gifts of \$1,000 and \$2,000 to his vaqueros, whom he likes. Last Christmas he deeded to a man on his range a bunch of prime 4-year-old steers that were worth \$1,800, and he gave all in his employ a ten or a twenty-dollar gold piece. He makes his headquarters and home in a pine shanty on the southern end of his great range, about thirty-five miles northwest from Cerillos station, on the Santa Fe route. There he sleeps in a rude bunk built against the wall and above are two other bunks, where a friend or a trusted vaquero sleeps occasionally.

### Frugal in His Expenditures.

Healey cooks his own food, but sometimes he has a cowboy help him at cooking. A lot of burned black kettles, a burned skillet, and a grimy old coffee pot and a few battered pans, chipped dishes, and decrepit knives and forks on a greasy table near the stove all tell what sort of meals this unusual millionaire partakes of.

He has never seen a drama, heard a concert, or anything theatrical or operatic since 1870, and then in El Paso. About once a month, when there is no work Jim Healey can busy himself at, and he feels in the mood, then the cattle king will get out a three-gallon jug of claret (which he buys from the half-breed Indians) and produce several yellow paper packages of cheap tobacco, and he and several associates will sit and tell stories either about a camp fire or in the cabin for a few hours. But that's the end of the cattleman's dissipation. No one can induce him to have another taste of it in less than three or four weeks.

### Holmes Humor.

The late John Holmes, whose reputation for wit was not as wide as that of his celebrated elder brother, Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes, was yet known among his intimates as a man of ready repartee and characteristic humor.

Mr. Holmes never married, but lived by himself in a little house in Cambridge, and once a friend rallied him on his lonely life.

"You ought to marry, John," said he, "and have a larger house."

"Why, yes," replied Mr. Holmes, with a quiet smile, "if I should take a better half I would have to improve my quarters."

### Its Name Against It.

"That new ladies' magazine proved a complete failure."

"Did it? What was the cause?"

"Why, it was called 'The Age of Woman,' and, of course, that's something the women don't want to come out."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

## BUFFALO EXPOSITION.

**May Have the Very Biggest Buffalo that Ever Happened.**

What will be the "dominant extraneous feature" of the Pan-American Exposition, which will be held in Buffalo, N. Y., on the Niagara frontier, in the summer of 1901, is not as yet known, but there will be several features of special interest, and at least



THE BIG BUFFALO.

three now contemplated will rival any of the great features of the past.

For instance, the buffalo, which an ardent concessionaire, who happens to be a loyal citizen of the Queen City as well, hopes to construct on one of the vantage spots within the exposition grounds, will fall not far short of the Ferris wheel as an attractive feature, for the buffalo builder is ambitious. It is his desire to have constructed on an open plot of ground at the head of the "panoramable" a gigantic representation of the brute which stands symbolical of the city in which the exposition will be held.

Two hundred feet in the air the shaggy head of the great beast will rise and from his soulful eyes, which will be turned toward the not far distant Canadian shore, gleaming searchlights will send their milky bars to the inner recesses of her majesty's domain.

In that section of the animal where the brains ought to be the prospective builder would place a restaurant of more than ordinary beauty, and in the body of the animal the contemplation is to place a vaudeville theater, with a seating capacity of 2,000. In two of the legs winding staircases are to be erected and in the other legs electric elevators will make constant trips.

Another idea, which was born in the brain of a man of biblical mould, is that of the "Jonah" theater, and the submitted plan calls for the construction of a mammoth whale of iron and steel, which is to be anchored in shallow water near the banks of the exposition. Dainty ferry boats are to ply between the shore and the mouth of the great whale, and those cheerful ones, who love to enjoy themselves in strange ways are to be ferried from the shore to the tongue of the floater. There a smooth young man will have his hands crossed with silver, and after this transaction the passengers will be at liberty to walk down the whale's tongue to the room where for three days and three nights Jonah sat and mourned.



THE JONAH THEATER.

In that section all will be light and cheerful, and on the stage vaudevillians will kick and sing and cavort, and musicians will add to the gaiety of the scene and will make many believe that the ancient stories of Jonah's troubles were much overrated.

### HERE'S A BIG PAIR.

**Two Bouncing Kentucky Babies That Weigh 393 Pounds.**

Two of the most remarkable children ever born in Kentucky are those of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Cartmill, of Owingsville. They are Della May, aged 3, weight 180 pounds, and Willie, aged 4, weight 210 pounds. At birth the elder weighed



FATTEST BABIES IN KENTUCKY.

ed 8 and the younger 7. They began to grow in about a week's time and grew so rapidly that people for miles came to see them. Doctors and scientists from everywhere where their rapid growth was known came to study them. They are perfectly healthy, but sleep more than half the time.

Mr. and Mrs. Cartmill are people of ordinary size. Mr. Cartmill is quite tall, but his weight is not more than 160 pounds at any time. He is a huckster, and although he attempts to reduce them by dieting they continue to grow despite his efforts.

### Deaths Among Women.

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### LOCAL NEWS.

Fresh Bread at Weigels Bakery.

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The Hudson's Bay Co. steamer Strathcona arrived from Glenora on Sunday last bringing down 87 refugees from the Edmonton trail, the balance except about a dozen of the poor unfortunates whom ignorance and misrepresentation started over the "Bicycle" route.

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Ex mayor Ryan of Winnipeg returned from Glenora on the Strathcona.

The magnificent steamer Cottage City, Capt. Wallace, arrived in port yesterday with a large number of excursionists bound for Sitka and Muir glacier.

Mrs. F. J. Hunt and family left on the Dirigo for the sound.

Collector of Customs Turner formerly located at Glenora has been transferred to Daws in City.

Duncan McKinnon's store which was closed for a few days on account of the death of Mrs. McKinnon is again open for business.

Miss Bertha Hunt left on the Farallon for Tacoma where she will attend school.

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IN THE UNITED STATES COMMISSIONERS COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF ALASKA. IN PROBATE.

In the matter of the estate of KONK, deceased.

Clarence Thwing the executor of the above named estate having filed his final account as such executor, and asks for his discharge.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons interested, to be and appear before said Court at the Court House in Wrangel, Alaska, on Monday, the 18th day of September 1899, at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day then and there to show cause, if any there be, why said final account should not be approved and allowed and said executor discharged.

Dated at Wrangel, Alaska, this 17th day of August, 1899.

SEAL FRED. PAGE TUSTIN.  
United States Commissioner and  
Ex-Officio Probate Judge  
Date of First Publication Aug. 19th., 1899.

### Mary M. McKinnon.

On Tuesday evening last the ordinarily quiet town of Fort Wrangel was suddenly shocked at the sad news of the death of Mrs. Mary M. McKinnon, the esteemed wife of Duncan McKinnon of this place. Mrs. McKinnon has not enjoyed good health for some time but no person had any idea that the end was so near or even that her condition was serious.

On Tuesday evening she was not feeling as well as usual and lay down for a short rest. About two hours later Mr. E. Haw came into the house from the store with a magazine for Mr. McKinnon. He noticed that Mrs. McKinnon was lying on the bed and was struck by her peculiar appearance. A hasty examination easily convinced him that all was not right and he hastily summoned Dr. F. W. Lapsley the family physician who arrived at the house a few moments later, only to discover that Mrs. McKinnon was already cold in death. The doctor states that she must have been dead then at least an hour. The end was peaceful and sudden. There was no suffering, the deceased simply falling into a sleep from which there will be no awakening in this world.

Mary McDougall McKinnon was born in the city of Glasgow, Scotland, on March 31st, 1863. Her parents died when she was a child and she spent her early days, up to the time of her marriage, with Duncan McKinnon's people. Late in the year 1887 Duncan McKinnon, who had been in Alaska since 1867 and engaged in business at Fort Wrangel since 1880, returned to his native country, Scotland, to marry the girl whom he had last seen as a child, since grown to womanhood. They were married at Paisley, Scotland, on January 19th, 1888 and set out almost immediately on a long journey to Alaska, where they were to make their future

home. They arrived at Fort Wrangel on March 5th of the same year and have resided here ever since, Duncan McKinnon being a well known merchant at this place.

There are there are a husband and two children left to mourn the loss of a devoted wife, a kind and loving mother, and a dear friend. Mary Etoline McKinnon was born July 3, 1896, and John Duncan McKinnon was born October 9, 1893; both at Fort Wrangel.

The funeral was held on Thursday at 3 P. M. from the Presbyterian church, Rev. H. P. Corser delivering a very appropriate funeral sermon. The music was furnished by a quartett assisted by Mrs. W. G. Thomas as organist. After the church services a funeral procession was formed and the remains conducted to boats in waiting which carried the funeral party to the cemetery south of Wrangel. Short and impressive services were held after the body had been lowered into the grave which was located on the brow of a hill overlooking the bay, in the most beautiful place imaginable.

The following old time residents acted as pall bearers: Rufus Sylvester, R. D. Crittenden, T. A. Willson, J. C. Callbreath, E. P. Lynch, E. Haw, J. Finlayson, W. G. Thomas, I. Frohman, J. F. Collins, Edw. Ludeke, and D. Sinclair. The floral offerings were many and beautiful.

Mrs. McKinnon was a woman who will long be remembered by the people of Wrangel both native and white. She was kind and generous, with a heart large enough to fill her entire anatomy. Her deeds of charity and acts of kindness are legion, the half of which will never be told; and her loss will be felt by the entire community to a degree almost equal to the immediate family.

As a mark of respect to her memory every place of business in Wrangel was closed and all labor suspended during the entire day of the funeral.

### Farewell Lecture.

This evening Prof. McDonald gives his great farewell lecture on matrimony, Love' Courtship, marriage will be phrenologically discussed. At the close there will be a grand phrenological wedding. Six couples will be mated off. Old and young will enjoy this unique wedding. This is his last, best and funniest lecture - The cream of all. Look out for a good time and a large audience. Admission 50 cents. As he departs soon now is the last chance for getting a phrenological examination.

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